

Docket No.: 55071-311

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Stephen D. HSU, et al.	:	Confirmation Number:
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Serial No.:	:	Group Art Unit:
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Filed: November 12, 2003	:	Examiner: Unknown
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For:		METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING MODEL-BASED LAYOUT CONVERSION FOR USE WITH DIPOLE ILLUMINATION

**CLAIM OF PRIORITY**

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Sir:

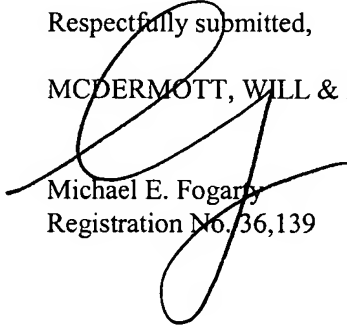
In accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119, Applicants hereby claim the priority of:

**United States Provisional No. 60/425,323, filed November 12, 2002**

cited in the Declaration of the present application. A certified copy will be filed in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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